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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Official Action ("Office Action") having a mailing date of December 8, 2008 with a shortened statutory period for reply of one month set to expire on January 8, 2009. As said period has now expired, Applicants authorize a fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(4) for a four-month extension of time to be charged to Deposit Account number 23-2426 in the small-entity amount of \$820.00. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the claims on their merits in view of the claim elections set forth in this response as follows:

Remarks begin on Page 2 of this paper.